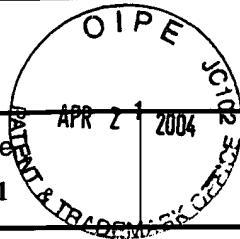


PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)
(Small Entity)

Docket No.
IDS-14502/14

In Re Application Of: Venegas, Jr.



Serial No.
09/779,782

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Examiner
S. Varner

Group Art Unit
3635

Invention: BARRIER COVER

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the Office Action of Dec. 18, 2003 in the above-identified application.
Date

The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired):

One month Two months Three months Four months Five months

from: March 18, 2004
Date

until: April 18, 2004 (Sunday)
Date

A verified statement of small entity status as a small entity under 37 CFR 1.27:

is enclosed.
 has already been filed in this application.

The fee for the extension of time is \$55 and is to be paid as follows:

A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
 The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No.
 If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No.

Dated: April 19, 2004

Signature

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I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on 4-19-04 with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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